DESOTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

EUGENE C. THACH, PRESIDENT, PRESIDING

JUNE 19, 2000

A. CALL TO ORDER

The June 19, 2000, meeting of the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Supervisor Eugene C. Thach of DeSoto County.

Sheriff James Albert Riley, DeSoto County Sheriff was present and did open the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors meeting in a regular session to hear any and all business to come before the Board. The following were present:

B. INVOCATION

The invocation was presented by John Caldwell.

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Abandoning Right of Way on Sharon Drive

This item was held over by the Board of Supervisors.

2. Abandoning Road at Poplar Corner

This item was held over by the Board of Supervisors.

3. Days Water Association - Assistance in Moving Water Lines for Road Work

County Administrator David Armstrong reminded the Board of Supervisors that Days Water Association requested that the County pay \$10,875.00 to move the water lines on Starlanding Road near Baldwyn Road. Board Attorney Bill Austin said that the County does have statutory authority to move County water lines and at the discretion of the Board of Supervisors, the County can pay to have water lines moved.

Supervisor John Caldwell said that Days Water is asking for the County to pay the entire expense of moving the water lines because there are only two houses on that end of the road. **ITEM C.3, CONTINUED,**

Supervisor Eugene Thach said that he doesn't mind the County paying part of the expense to

move the water lines but that all taxpayers should not have to pay when the water association is self-funded. Supervisor Thach said the County has been paying half of the costs to move water lines.

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked how far the water lines will have to be moved from the road. Supervisor John Caldwell said the water lines will be moved straight down because the hill is being lowered. Board Attorney Bill Austin said that the right of way is 1,000 feet, either way of the intersection.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked if more than one estimate has been received. County Administrator David Armstrong said that only one quote was received from Bill Roberson. Supervisor Medlin said that the County should get more than one estimate.

Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to pay 60% of the cost to move the water lines on Starlanding Road near Baldwyn Road subject to obtaining two estimates of the cost to have the water lines moved. The **motion failed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	-NO
Supervisor Eugene Thach	NO
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	-ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	-YES

Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to pay 50% of the cost to move the water lines on Starlanding Road near Baldwyn Road subject to obtaining two estimates of the cost to have the water lines moved and paying the lower of the two. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach	YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

^{**}See Exhibit C.3**

4. Request for Resolution for Delta Regional Commission

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that he checked with the offices of Senator Trent Lott, Senator Thad Cochran, and Representative Roger Wicker and they are not supportive of the creation of the Delta Regional Commission. No action was taken on this issue by the Board of Supervisors. **See Exhibit C.4**

5. Civic Center Road

Supervisor John Caldwell notified the Board of Supervisors that Road Manager Kenny Gunn inspected the Civic Center Road and said that it will need at least a six to eight inch base to prepare it for the asphalt overlay. Supervisor Caldwell said Mr. Gunn wanted direction from the Board before proceeding with any work on the road. Supervisor Eugene Thach said he thought it was the Board's intent to get the road base ready for overlay and then split the cost

ITEM C.5, CONTINUED,

of the overlay with the City of Southaven. Supervisor Tommy Lewis said he thinks the City should share in the cost of preparing the road and the overlay. Supervisor Lewis said, however, because the City's overlay contract expires soon, the Road Manager should do the work and get with the Mayor of Southaven to coordinate the scheduling and splitting the costs,

and then report back to the Board.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked what base will be used on the road. Supervisor Caldwell said Mr. Gunn red

Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to instruct the Road Manager to proceed with placing a limestone base on the Civic Center Road to prepare the road for overlay. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach	YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	

Later in the meeting, Road Manager Kenny Gunn told the Board of Supervisors that it will take approximately \$20,000.00 worth of limestone for the base of the Civic Center Road. Mr. Gunn said the road will take two weeks to prepare it for overlay. Supervisor Jessie Medlin told Mr. Gunn to check with Mayor Greg Davis of Southaven to see if their overlay contract includes preparing the road for overlay.

Supervisor John Caldwell said that the road needs to be wider than two lanes as it exits onto Highway 51. Supervisor Tommy Lewis agreed and said to make sure there is a left turn lane and a right turn lane exiting onto Highway 51 from the Civic Center Road.

D. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Making Final Approval of Tax Exemption for AFCO Industries by the State Tax **Commission a Part of the Minutes**

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to make the final approval of the State Tax Commission for a five (5) year ad valorem taxation exemption for AFCO Industries in the amount of \$ 125,756.00 a part of the minutes and to authorize the final resolution in connection with this exemption. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach	YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

^{**}See Exhibit D.1**

2. Making Attorney General's Approval of Interlocal Agreements with the City of Hernando and the City of Horn Lake a Part of the Minutes

In accordance with Section 17-13-11 of the Mississippi Code, which states the Attorney General

ITEM D.2, CONTINUED,

shall approve any such agreement submitted to him hereunder unless he shall find that it does not meet the conditions set forth and prior to its being in force, an agreement shall be filed with the Chancery Clerk and with the Secretary of State, Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to make the Attorney General's approval of the Interlocal Agreement between the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors and the City of Hernando for the construction and/or improvements of parks and the Interlocal Agreement between the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors and the City of Horn Lake for the

<u>E. C.</u> T. 6/19/00 construction and/or improvements of parks a part of the minutes. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin------YES Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES Supervisor Gerald Clifton------ABSENT Supervisor John Caldwell------YES Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

3. Budget Amendment

a. County Administrator

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve a budget amendment for the County Administrator under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows with the budget amendment being part of the \$457,928.00 insurance premium and the balance being paid from individual departmental budget line items as approved in the FY00 Budget:

Increase	001-106-570	Insurance	\$201,810.00
Decrease	001-901-999	General Fund	\$201,810.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton------ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell------YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

b. Feasibility Study

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for the Feasibility Study under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

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Decrease	001-107-596	Sewer Study	\$ 34,019.00
Decrease	001-108-595	Trans. Plan	\$ 14,876.00
Decrease	001-108-596	Master Plan	\$ 32,000.00
Increase	001-108-554	Sewer Consultant	\$ 80,895.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin------YES Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES

^{**}See Exhibit D.2**

^{**}See Exhibit D.3.a**

Supervisor Gerald Clifton	ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

^{**}See Exhibit D.3.b**

c. Operations and Maintenance

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for Operations and Maintenance under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Decrease	001-150-501	Phone	\$ 202.00
Increase	001-150-475	Travel out of County	\$ 101.00
Increase	001-150-476	Meals & Lodging	\$ 101.00
Decrease	001-150-521	Legal Advertising	\$ 100.00
Increase	001-150-603	Office Supplies	\$ 100.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie MedlinYES
Supervisor Eugene ThachYES
Supervisor Gerald CliftonABSENT
Supervisor John CaldwellYES
Supervisor Tommy LewisYES

^{**}See Exhibit D.3.c**

d. Solid Waste

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for Solid Waste under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Decrease	112-341-581	Other Contractual Service	\$ 100.00
Increase	112-341-639	Signs	\$ 100.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

ITEM D.3.d, CONTINUED,

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	-YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach	YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	-ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	-YES

^{**}See Exhibit D.3.d**

e. Emergency Management

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the

Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for Emergency Management under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Decrease	001-260-542	Repairs to Vehicles	\$ 115.00
Increase	001-260-680	Tires & Tubes	\$ 115.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie MedlinYES
Supervisor Eugene ThachYES
Supervisor Gerald CliftonABSENT
Supervisor John CaldwellYES
Supervisor Tommy LewisYES

^{**}See Exhibit D.3.e**

f. Circuit Court

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for the Circuit Court under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Decrease	001-161-544	Maintenance Contract	\$ 172.00
Decrease	001-161-587	Training & Registration	\$ 350.00
Increase	001-161-933	Office Equipment	\$ 79.00
Increase	001-161-934	Furniture & Fixtures	\$ 443.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES Supervisor Eugene Thach-------YES Supervisor Gerald Clifton-------ABSENT Supervisor John Caldwell------YES Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

See Exhibit D.3.f ITEM D.3.g, CONTINUED,

g. County Court

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for County Court under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Increase	001-162-523	Contract Printing	\$ 150.00
Increase	001-162-603	Office Supplies	\$ 500.00
Decrease	001-162-607	Other Court Costs	\$ 650.00

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The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----------YES Supervisor John Caldwell---------YES Supervisor Tommy Lewis-------YES

h. Building and Grounds

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for Building and Grounds under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Decrease	001-151-655	Other Maintenance	\$ 3,000.00
Increase	001-151-511	Propane	\$ 250.00
Increase	001-151-521	Advertising	\$ 100.00
Increase	001-151-533	Rental	\$ 340.00
Increase	001-151-542	Repair Vehicles	\$ 185.00
Increase	001-151-639	Signs	\$ 100.00
Increase	001-151-581	Other Contract	\$ 255.00
Increase	001-151-502	Phone	\$ 1,770.00
Decrease	001-151-935	Equipment	\$ 500.00
Increase	001-151-653	Small Tools	\$ 500.00
Decrease	001-151-930	Truck Purchase	\$ 1,145.00
Increase	001-151-671	Gasoline	\$ 1,145.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES Supervisor Eugene Thach-------YES Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----------YES Supervisor John Caldwell--------YES Supervisor Tommy Lewis-------YES

i. Youth Court

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In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for the Youth Court under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Increase	001-164-560	Attorney/Guardian Ad Litem	\$ 600.00
Decrease	001-170-483	Office Allowance	\$ 600.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-----YES

^{**}See Exhibit D.3.g**

^{**}See Exhibit D.3.h**
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Supervisor Eugene Thach	YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

^{**}See Exhibit D.3.i**

j. Advertising County Resources

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for Advertising County Resources under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Increase	001-000-305	City Civic Center Contribution	\$12,000.00
Increase	001-675-522	Advertise County Resources	\$12,000.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES Supervisor Gerald Clifton-------ABSENT Supervisor John Caldwell------YES Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

4. Investment of Surplus Funds

In accordance with Section 19-2-29 of the Mississippi Code, which states that whenever any county shall have on hand any bond and interest funds, any funds derived from the sale of bonds, special funds, or any other funds in excess of the sums which will be required to meet the

current needs and demands of no more than seven (7) business days, the Board of Supervisors of such county shall invest such excess funds.

At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Joyce Riales, Supervisor John Caldwell made the **ITEM D.4, CONTINUED,**

motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the investment of surplus funds to Trustmark National Bank, who was the high bidder that placed a bid as follows:

DATE OF				
INVESTMENT	BANK	AMOUNT	RATE	DAYS
June 8, 2000	Trustmark National	\$3,750,000.00	6.641	113

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES Supervisor Gerald Clifton-------ABSENT Supervisor John Caldwell-------YES Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

^{**}See Exhibit D.3.j**

^{**}See Exhibit D.4**

5. Approval of Late Bill - Civil Defense - IOS Capital for March, April, and May 2000

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made a motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve a late bill to IOS Capital for the copier machine rental for Civil Defense for the months of March, April, and May 2000 in the amount of \$624.00 and authorized the Clerk to write the check. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES Supervisor Eugene Thach-------YES Supervisor Gerald Clifton----------YES Supervisor John Caldwell-------YES Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

6. Interfund Transfer - Metro Narcotics

At the recommendation of Comptroller Joyce Riales, Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to authorize and instruct the Chancery Clerk, pursuant to Section 41-29-185 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, to transfer the following forfeited funds that were seized by Metro Narcotics:

Case Number	<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Dat</u>	e Seized	County Receipt #	<u>Amount</u>
DC-0128-1-99	Christopher L. Davis	07/11/99	9808	\$ 20	69.00
DC-0249-1-991	Dorothy R. Heathcoat	12/11/99	10337	\$ 29	99.00
DC-0066-1-00	Gregory Featherstone	03/24/00	10739	\$ 3	16.00
DC-0067-1-00	Cedric Richmond	03/24/00	10739	\$ 4'	73.00
DC-0074-1-00	Terrance D. Rustin	04/03/00	10739	\$ 3	16.00
DC-0078-1-00	Billy Wayne Stewart	04/07/00	10739	\$ 33	34.00
DC-0075-3-00	Chester C. McCoy	04/12/00	10739	\$:	56.00
DC-0083-1-00	Corey Edwin	04/15/00	10739	\$ 10	02.00
DC-0084-1-00	Dexter Bell	04/16/00	10739	\$ 3	34.00
DC-0084-1-00	Clifford Scott	04/16/00	10739	\$	65.00
DC-0071-3-00	Derrick McClure	04/19/00	10739	\$ 48	80.00

Transfer From 123-900-950 Metro Narcotics Seized \$2,744.00 **ITEM D.6, CONTINUED,**

Transfer To 105-000-388 Metro Narcotics Forfeitures \$2,744.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton------ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell------YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

7. Hernando Concerned Community Volunteers

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that the Hernando Concerned Community Volunteers, Inc. is requesting a contribution in the amount of \$5,000.00 to help fund educational programs for youth in the community. Mr. Armstrong said that the County contributed \$3,000.00 in 1998 and \$5,000.00 in 1999 to this group and that the

^{**}See Exhibit D.5**

^{**}See Exhibit D.6**

funds were taken out of the District 5 Park Fund.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked if the Board has ever received an audit report from the Hernando Concerned Community Volunteers. Mr. Armstrong said that to his knowledge, the Board has never received an audit report. Supervisor Lewis said that he supports this group and the programs it offers but that he would like to see how funds are being spent before any action is taken on this request. Vanessa Lynchard said she would get an expenditure report from Barbara Greer for the Board to review. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made a motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to hold this item until June 26, 2000. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach	YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

^{**}See Exhibit D.7**

8. Approval of Contract with Ikon for DHS/Child Support

Vanessa Lynchard notified the Board of Supervisors that the copier contract for DHS/Child Support has expired and that approval is needed from the Board to enter into a new contract with Ikon. Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve a 24 month contract with Ikon for a copier for DHS/Child Support at \$208.00 per month for the period of June 19, 2000 through June 19, 2002. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-------ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell------YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

See Exhibit D.8
ITEM D.9, CONTINUED,

9. Fourth of July Holiday

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that a Proclamation was received from the Governor declaring Tuesday, July 4, 2000 as the legal holiday to observe the 4th of July, and also authorizing the closing of offices on Monday, July 3, 2000 for the 4th of July Holiday, subject to approval of the local agencies. Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to declare Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4, 2000 as holiday closings in observance of the 4th of July Holiday. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton------ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell------YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

10. Regional Utility Authority - EPA Application

^{**}See Exhibit D.9**

County Administrator David Armstrong advised the Board of Supervisors that the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority Board met Friday, June 16th and B. J. Page, President of the Utility Authority has a recommendation for the Board regarding the FY00 EPA grant application. Mr. Armstrong said that Jim Hust and Joe Waggoner of EAI/WEI are here to answer any questions the Board may have about the EPA grant application.

Joe Waggoner informed the Board of Supervisors that the FY99 EPA application for \$2.675 million, which was delayed due to a heavy EPA workload, is being finalized and the FY00 application for \$2.95 million with matching funds of \$2.27 million is due July 1, 2000 to avoid it being delayed. Mr. Waggoner suggested that the Board proceed with the FY00 application and submit it now so that it will have a high review status. Mr. Waggoner said that the FY00 application will complete the final design of the interceptor and treatment plant of the Eastern Division Wastewater System and will include the preliminary design for the Western Division Wastewater System. The County, however, will not be committed to anything until the grant is accepted.

County Administrator David Armstrong said that the County will not be receiving in-kind funds for FY00 as it did in FY99 but that there will be some unused funds from FY99 that will be carried over and will decrease the County's matching fund for FY00 to 41.5% instead of 45%. Mr. Armstrong said that the City of Olive Branch is committed to updating their treatment plant and asked if the County will be able to get in-kind funds from the City of Olive Branch. Mr. Waggoner said the County possibly could get in-kind funds from the City of Olive Branch but that the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority needs to move more in the direction of a full-fledged authority.

Mr. Armstrong said that eventually all decisions regarding the Wastewater System will be turned over to the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority Board. Supervisor John Caldwell said that as long as the County is a revenue source, the Board needs to be involved in major decisions.

Mr. Waggoner said that proceeding with the FY00 application will not commit the County to a certain budget and that EPA only needs assurance that funds will be available as needed. Mr. Waggoner said that if things proceed as predicted, funds will not be needed until the fourth **ITEM D.10, CONTINUED,**

quarter of next year's budget.

B. J. Page, President of the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority Board, told the Board of Supervisors that it is the unanimous recommendation of the Board to go forward with the FY00 EPA application since it does not commit the County to any funds at this time, and to do so will maintain the time line of the project.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made a motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to accept the recommendation of the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority Board and authorize EAI/WEI, LLC to proceed with the EPA grant application for FY 2000 for a \$2.95 million appropriation. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach-------YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-------ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell-------YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis-------YES

See Exhibit D.10

11. County Engineer - Selection Committee

County Administrator David Armstrong requested that two Supervisors be appointed to the selection committee to review the applications for the County Engineer position. Mr. Armstrong said that he and County Engineer Daniel Murphy will also be on the committee. Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to appoint Supervisor Jessie Medlin and Supervisor Tommy Lewis to the serve with County Administrator David Armstrong and County Engineer Daniel Murphy on the selection committee to review the applications for the County Engineer position. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

12. Civil Defense - Satellite Radio

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that T. H. Walker, Director of Civil Defense, is requesting authorization to purchase a satellite radio system at a cost of \$3,851.40, which will be reimbursed in full by MEMA. Mr. Armstrong said the County will have to pay a one time \$50.00 activation fee and a monthly service fee of \$35.00.

T. H. Walker said that he received a letter from Robert Latham, Director of MEMA, stating that the County will be reimbursed 100% for the cost of the satellite radio, and that Shank Communications Company in Jackson, MS is a sole source for the radio. Mr. Walker said he gave a copy of the letter to the Board Attorney to review.

Mr. Walker said the satellite radio will serve as an "insurance policy" to the County's current radio system in that it will remain operational if all other systems go out. Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked if the system works on batteries or a generator. Mr. Walker said he assumes both since all other emergency equipment works on either batteries or a generator.

ITEM D.12, CONTINUED,

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked how often the telephone system will be used since it costs \$2.49 per minute. Mr. Walker said the telephone system will only be used in an emergency situation when all other telephone service is out.

Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the purchase of a satellite radio system for Civil Defense at a cost of \$3,851.00 plus a one time activation fee of \$50.00 and a service fee of \$35.00 per month, to approve Shank Communications Company in Jackson, MS as a sole source for the satellite radio system, and to approve a budget amendment for Civil Defense under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Increase	001-260-937	Purchase Radios	\$3,852.00
Increase	001-002-254	Federal Civil Defense Funds	\$3,852.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	-YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach	-YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	-ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	-YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	-YES

^{**}See Exhibit D.12**

13. Drivers License Road

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that the County is under agreement to pave the drivers license road. County Engineer Daniel Murphy requested that the road be added to the overlay contract. Mr. Murphy said that the Board needs to find out if the County is going to be responsible for grading the road or not. The Board of Supervisors instructed the County Administrator and Road Manager to verify which improvements on the drivers license road are the responsibility of the contractor and which are the responsibility of the County. Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to add the paving of Drivers License Lane to the FY00 overlay contract. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------ABSENT Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----------YES Supervisor John Caldwell-------YES Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The "Executive Session" portion of this meeting is presented under the portion of minutes called "Executive Session.

F. OTHER ISSUES

1. State Aid Project BR-0974(6)B

At the recommendation of County Engineer Daniel Murphy, Supervisor Eugene Thach made a motion and Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to accept the completion of State Aid Project **ITEM F.1, CONTINUED,**

BR-0974(6)B (Bridge at Pleasant Hill Road). The motion passed by a vote as follows:

2. Rubbish Pit

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked if any figures have been received to date on the rubbish pit. County Administrator David Armstrong said that he is in the process of getting the figures together and will have a report for the Board of Supervisors at the next meeting.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis said he has received complaints from constituents about the one truck load limit per month at the rubbish pit. Supervisor Lewis said that there needs to be a limit but not for a certain number per month but for an entire year. County Administrator David Armstrong said he will review the policy. Supervisor Thach said the Board needs to review the rubbish pit figures before taking any action to amend the load limits at the rubbish pits.

3. Homestead Exemptions

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion

^{**}See Exhibit F.1**

to approve the petition to adjust the homestead exemption supplemental roll as presented by the Chancery Clerk. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie MedlinYES
Supervisor Eugene ThachYES
Supervisor Gerald CliftonABSENT
Supervisor John CaldwellYES
Supervisor Tommy LewisYES

^{**}See Exhibit F.3**

4. NACO Convention

Supervisor Eugene Thach requested approval of the Board of Supervisors to attend the Annual NACO Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina on July 14 through July 19, 2000. Supervisor Thach said that Bill Austin and Vanessa Lynchard will also be attending the conference. Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to authorize Supervisor Eugene Thach, Board Attorney Bill Austin, and Vanessa Lynchard, Director of Administrative Services, to attend the Annual NACO Conference on July 14 through July 19, 2000 in Charlotte, North Carolina and to approve travel for the conference. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Je	essie MedlinYES
Supervisor Eugene Thach	YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

ITEM F.5, CONTINUED,

5. Board of Supervisors Meetings

The Board of Supervisors discussed possible dates to meet due to the County offices being closed on July 3 and July 4 in observance of the 4th of July Holiday. Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to publish Monday, June 26, Wednesday, July 5, and Wednesday, July 12, 2000 as meeting dates of the Board of Supervisors with subsequent dates to be decided later. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie MedlinYES
Supervisor Eugene ThachYES
Supervisor Gerald CliftonABSENT
Supervisor John CaldwellYES
Supervisor Tommy LewisYES

6. DeSoto County Administration Building Emergency Plan

Civil Defense Director, T. H. Walker, presented an updated version of the DeSoto County Administration Building Emergency Plan to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Walker said that training will be needed with the updated plan. Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to take this item under advisement to allow the Board of Supervisors to review the changes to the DeSoto County Administration Building Emergency Plan. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	-YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach	-YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	-ABSENT

Supervisor John CaldwellYI	ES
Supervisor Tommy LewisYl	ES

See Exhibit F.6

7. County Work on Right of Ways

Road Manager Kenny Gunn informed the Board of Supervisors that where the County is replacing pipes and drains on right of ways, many homeowners are requesting that the right of ways be sodded after the work is complete. Supervisor Tommy Lewis said the County should leave the right of ways in the manner in which they were found. The Board of Supervisors instructed Road Manger Kenny Gunn to repair the right of ways back to the state they were prior to the work being done on the right of ways by the County.

8. Adopt-a-Road Program

Road Manager Kenny Gunn asked if the county has an adopt-a road program in existence. Board Attorney Bill Austin said that there is a DeSoto Beautiful Program that is not active. Mr. Gunn said he would like to enhance that program to lessen the work load of the road crews so that all of their time is not spent picking up trash on the sides of roads. Supervisor John Caldwell said the County could benefit from this program and that the County could furnish signs, bags, and reflective vests to volunteers. The Board of Supervisors instructed the Road Manger and County Administrator to look into the program.

9. Miller Road Guard Rails

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked about the status of the guard rails on Miller Road. Road ITEM F.9, CONTINUED,

Manger Kenny Gunn said only one quote has been received to date on the guard rails. Supervisor Medlin requested that caution signs be placed back on Miller Road until the guard rails are in place.

10. FY01 Budget Requests

Supervisor John Caldwell asked if all budget requests for FY01 have been received. County Administrator David Armstrong said the budget requests were due on June 15 and said a list is being compiled to see which departments have not submitted budget requests. Supervisor Caldwell asked Mr. Armstrong to find out the road millage before the next Board of Supervisors meeting. Mr. Armstrong said he would get that figure for the Board.

11. Right of Ways on Getwell Road

Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked about the status of obtaining right of ways on the southern end of Getwell Road. Road Manager Kenny Gunn said he checked last week and the surveys should be in this week.

12. Guard Rails at Tchulahoma Road and Church Road

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked Road Manager Kenny Gunn if the City of Southaven paid for half of the expenses of the guard rails at Tchulahoma Road and Church Road as agreed upon. Mr. Gunn said he would check to see if the City of Southaven paid and let the Board of Supervisors know.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to recess until June 26, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-------YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach------YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-------ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell-------YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis------YES

THIS the 19^{th} day of June, 2000, these minutes have been read and approved by the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors.

Eugene C. Thach, President DeSoto County Board of Supervisors